

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and a method for safeguarding valuable electronic equipment (701-709) from theft. The safeguarding apparatus is connected to a sensor (400), monitoring whether an unauthorised person has opened a housing of the electronic equipment. An authenticator identifies authorised users. Unauthorised breaking or opening of the housing results in activation of a destruction device (200) with an electric pulse fed through the electronic components (701-709), whereby the devices are irreversibly set out of order and thus their trade-in value is considerably diminished.